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GYPSY MOTH SPRAYING SCHEDULED FOR SPRING Area in Herndon's Northeast Quadrant Scheduled for Treatment

Herndon, VA (February 8, 2006) – The Fairfax County Forest Pest Program has identified an area within the Town of Herndon's northeast quadrant to receive aerial treatment of environmentally sound insecticides to combat gypsy moth infestation.

The impacted area, bordered by Monroe Street to the west, Dranesville Road to the east and Third Street to the south, includes the Barker Hill neighborhood and Chestnut Grove Cemetery. Residents of homes in the area have received notification from the Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services, alerting them that spraying will occur sometime between mid-April and late May.

Participation in the program is voluntary. Residents who do not want to participate must notify, in writing, the Fairfax County Forest Pest program coordinator at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 518, Fairfax VA 22035. Letters must be postmarked no later than March 15.

All residents living in or near the impacted area are invited to attend an informational meeting on Tuesday, February 28 at 7:00 p.m. at the Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center Street, Herndon. In the event of inclement weather, the meeting will be held at the library on Friday, March 3 at 7:00 p.m.

For more information, contact the county's Forest Pest Program at 703/324-1720.

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3rd largest town in

the Commonwealth and is home to more than 22,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 23,500 people.

For more information, visit the Town's website at **www.herndon-va.gov**.

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